

**Arctic Orienteering Club Annual Meeting
September 23, 2005
Minutes**

Attendance: About 30 people including the children stayed after the meet and attended the potluck and meeting at Russian Jack Chalet.

Administrative VP Steve Gruhn led the meeting in the absence of the president.

Awards

Eric Follett read the results of the Orienteering Festival State Championships and awarded medals to the top three finishers in each division. Jim Green read the results of the season points and medals were awarded to the top three in this competition as well.

Door prizes

Prizes donated by The Sport Shop, AMH, Skinny Raven, Williwaw Publishing (Jim Green), and Bill Spencer were awarded by drawing at intervals through the meeting.

Mapping Committee report

Ian Moore reported that the mapping committee has prioritized areas for updates and new mapping. This summer Bill Gookin from San Diego volunteered his services and worked for two weeks on vegetation mapping of Section 36. Ted and Ginny Moore hosted Gookin and his daughter in their home. Dan and Anne Billman lent him their truck. Ian has found two foreign mapper "possibilities" for work next summer.

Treasurer's report

Peggy Kugel reported that the most significant financial news this year is the club's gaining of IRS 501(c)(3) non-profit status this year following the previous season's news of becoming an Alaska non-profit. This means that donations to the club are tax-deductible, retroactive to November 12, 2003.

Year to date income was \$6,722.55 and expenses were \$4,150.62 for a net of gain of \$2,571.93. Some bills are yet to be paid, but the Halloween-O, traditionally a large fundraiser, is yet to come. Balances in our accounts on 9/23/05 were \$7,907.39 in checking and \$17,461.28 in investment for a total of \$25,368.67.

Far North Bicentennial Park Users Group report

Eric Follett and Dick Hawkins have been representing the club in the monthly meetings. Their goal has been to try to slow down the pace of trail development and prevent it in areas of high orienteering value. An ally has been the Singletrack Advocates, a mountain biking group that was started in response to the widening of the ski trails at Hillside. This year the Users' Group has authorized a single trail to be built, linking the "Black Bear" trail to the "Gasline" trail near "Rover's Run".

Book Auditing

Before the meeting, President Anne Billman appointed Eric Follett and Leslie Kroloff to audit the books in the first quarter of 2006.

Upcoming meets

The Night-O was rescheduled to October 19 so that it could be held in the dark. The Halloween-O still needs a meet director.

Membership report

Dave Evans reported that this year there were 198 members (including adults and kids) and 149 non-members (40 of whom did not sign the waiver). There were 51 family memberships, which averaged 3.2 members per family.

Election of new officers

After some nominations and declinations of nominations, and some back and forth negotiations, the following officers were elected to their positions:

President – Kimball Forrest

Administrative Vice President – Anne Billman

Secretary – Andrew Lee

Treasurer – Dan Billman

Vice President of Media – Leslie Kroloff

Vice President of Training – Chris Tomsen

Vice President of Events – Trond Jensen

Vice President of Equipment – Eric Follett (Jill Follett assisting)

Vice President of Membership – Dave Evans

Vice President of Mapping – Ian Moore (Bill Spencer assisting)

At-Large Board Members – Cory Smith, Paul Carson, and Mike Furman

Meet director gifts

Glasses engraved with the club logo were given to everyone who had directed a meet this year. Ted and Ginny Moore also received glasses for hosting the Gookins this summer.

Orienteering guy's night bridge

Eric, Ian, and Ted are looking for a fourth.

Next board meeting: To be announced.

Prepared by Andrew Lee, Secretary, 9/28/05